



## 1995 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 8

January 9, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives KAUFERT, GUNDERSON, HOVEN, GREEN, LADWIG, NASS, OLSEN, POWERS and ALBERS. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

1     **Relating to:** requesting Congress to grant to the President the authority to  
2         line-item veto legislation.

3         Whereas, our system of government relies on the 3 branches of government  
4         balancing one another in their actions and powers; and

5         Whereas, 42 states allow their governors the power to line-item veto  
6         legislation; and

7         Whereas, a line-item veto provides the executive branch with the flexibility it  
8         may need to deal with legislation presented to it by the legislative branch; and

9         Whereas, a line-item veto permits the executive to eliminate portions of  
10         legislative proposals; and

11         Whereas, a line-item veto can be an important tool in the reduction of excessive  
12         government spending; and

13         Whereas, Wisconsin has been particularly well-served by its partial veto,  
14         which is limited to appropriations bills and allows the governor to reduce  
15         appropriations; now, therefore, be it

16         ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the members of the  
17         legislature of the state of Wisconsin do entreat Congress to provide line-item veto

1 authority to the President of the United States, so that such a veto may have as  
2 beneficial an effect on federal lawmaking as it has had on state lawmaking; and, be  
3 it further

4 ***Resolved, That*** the assembly chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint  
5 resolution to each member of this state's congressional delegation.

6 (END)